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SUBJECT: GHANA DEBT: MEETING WITH GHANAIS

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1. IN VIEW ENNINFUL'S NEGATIVE REACTION REPORTED REFTEL A,
US BELIEVES GOG SHOULD BE INFORMED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE THAT
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SMITH INTENDS TO ACCOMPANY LE QUESNE, LEST IT APPEAR USG
WAS RELUCTANT SEND REPRESENTATIVE TO ACCRA AND ONLY PER-
SUADED TO DO SO BY NEGATIVE GHANAIS REACTION TO VISIT BY
LE QUESNE ALONE. EMBASSY ALSO SHOULD INFORM GOG THAT USG

IS URGING OTHER CREDITORS TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO ACCOMPANY LE QUESNE OR TO INSTRUCT THEIR LOCAL AMBASSADORS TO PARTICIPATE WITH HIM IN CLARIFICATION TALKS.

2. WHILE APPRECIATING AMBASSADOR'S CONCERN THAT SMITH'S PARTICIPATION MIGHT PROMPT GHANAIS TO IDENTIFY US WITH UK POSTURE ON ISSUES WHERE OUR POLICIES DIFFER, WE BELIEVE PRESENCE OF CHAUFOURNIER, WHO HAD ALREADY DECIDED ACCOMPANY LE QUESNE WILL BOTH HAVE MODERATING INFLUENCE AND INTERNATIONALIZE MISSION SUFFICIENTLY TO OFFSET DANGER TO WHICH AMBASSADOR REFERS. THIS PROBLEM OBVIOUSLY WILL RECEDE TO EXTENT OTHER GOVERNMENTS CAN BE PERSUADED PARTICIPATE.

3. WELCOME AMBASSADOR'S INITIATIVE IN RAISING SUBJECT THEIR GOVERNMENTS' PARTICIPATION IN CLARIFICATION TALKS WITH WEST GERMAN AND DUTCH AMBASSADORS. AGREE WITH EMBASSY THAT HIGHLY DESIRABLE THESE TWO IMPORTANT AND SYMPATHETIC CREDITOR GOVERNMENTS BE REPRESENTED. IBRD STAFF HAS INFORMED DUTCH AND WEST GERMAN EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS OF LE QUESNE'S PLANS AND SUGGESTED THEY MAY WISH INSURE THEIR CAPITALS FULLY AWARE OF THIS PROPOSAL.

4. FOR BONN AND THE HAGUE: EMBASSIES REQUESTED TRY CONTACT THOSE RESPONSIBLE FOR GHANA DEBT IN FINANCE MINISTRIES, GEHRING IN BONN AND WINCKEL IN THE HAGUE, TO INFORM THEM OF LE QUESNE MISSION'S, SMITH'S INTENTION TO ACCOMPANY, INITIAL GHANAIA REACTION (REFTEL A), AND STRONG US VIEW THAT FOR REASONS OUTLINED REFTELS B AND C IT IS HIGHLY DESIRABLE AS MANY CREDITOR COUNTRIES AS POSSIBLE BE REPRESENTED IN CLARIFICATION TALKS. WOULD APPRECIATE REPORT BY IMMEDIATE CABLE OF ANY RESPONSE EMBASSIES ABLE ELICIT.

5. SMITH UNABLE SPEAK WITH LE QUESNE MORNING JULY 13, AS SUGGESTED BY BRITISH EMBASSY, AS LE QUESNE IS VACATIONING ON JERSEY. BRITISH ARE INFORMING HIM OF SMITH
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REPLY DESCRIBED REFTEL B. RUSH

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